

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
) CASE NO. CR20-217 RAJ
Plaintiff,)
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v.)
) DETENTION ORDER
JOSE LUIS ARRENDONDO-VALDEZ,)
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Defendant.)
_____)

Offense charged: Conspiracy to Distribute Controlled Substances; Asset Forfeiture
Allegations

Date of Detention Hearing: December 23, 2020.

The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the community.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

01 1. Defendant is a native and citizen of Mexico, and all of his family ties are to that
02 country. Defendant lacks legal status in the United States and an immigration detainer has
03 been filed. Defendant has been charged with a drug offense, the maximum penalty of which
04 is in excess of ten years. There is therefore a rebuttable presumption against defendant as to
05 both dangerousness and flight risk, under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e). Defendant does not contest
06 detention.

07 2. Defendant is not employed. The government alleges defendant and a co-
08 defendant were arrested in a vehicle with a large amount of U.S. currency, empty pound
09 packaging of suspected methamphetamine residue, and at least one firearm. has a lengthy
10 criminal record, including failures to appear with warrant activity. He does not have an
11 appropriate release plan. The government proffers information regarding measures taken at
12 the Federal Detention Center to address the risk of inmate and staff exposure to the covid-19
13 virus including temperature checks, health screening, masks and personal protective equipment,
14 and a two week quarantine for all inmates entering the facility. All staff are temperature-tested
15 and health screened when arriving at the facility. There have been no hospitalizations of
16 inmates due to the virus.

17 3. Taken as a whole, the record does not effectively rebut the presumption that no
18 condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant
19 as required and the safety of the community.

20 It is therefore ORDERED:

21 1. Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the Attorney

22 General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent practicable, from

01 persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal;

02 2. Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with
03 counsel;

04 3. On order of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person
05 in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is confined shall deliver the
06 defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection
07 with a court proceeding; and

08 4. The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to counsel
09 for the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United State Pretrial Services
10 Officer.

11 DATED this 23rd day of December, 2020.

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15 United States Magistrate Judge
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